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DANGER: Police say they take incidents at level crossings extremely seriously

Crossing safety fears

By **DAVID WATKINSON**

A WARNING has been issued to road users who risk their lives at level crossings in East Lancashire.

In the past 12 months 10 serious incidents involving both pedestrians and motorists have been recorded by the British Transport Police who police all crossing.

In recent weeks, Lancashire Police also handed a man a caution after he drove across the Rawtenstall West crossing, in New Hall Hey, Rawtenstall, despite the gates beginning to close and signalling the imminent passing of a train.

Dog walker ignored the barriers and stepped out

From June 1, 2010 to June 28, 2011, there have been five incidents at Daisyfield crossing in Blackburn; one incident at Brierfield crossing; one at Manchester Road, Burnley; two at Chaffers crossing in Nelson; and one at Shaw House Farm crossing in Wiltshire.

Offences have included bikes being left on the tracks, barrier operators abused and failure to obey traffic signals.

In August 2010, a dog walker caused a train travelling across Burnley's Manchester Road crossing to come to an emergency stop. The man ignored the warning barriers and walked in front of the train.

Another serious incident at Chaffers crossing in Bakerhouse Road, Nelson, saw a brick thrown through the rear cab of the train.

Luckily the cab was empty and the driver was in the front cab.

Inspector Adrian Yorston said: "During the past 12 months we have recorded 10 incidents at level crossings in the area.

"While this represents fewer than one incident per month, it is still 10 incidents too many and we will continue to give crossings across Lancashire serious attention."

And he vowed to work at reducing incidents of this nature.

Diana leaves record label

Singer Diana Vickers who made the semi-finals of The X Factor three years ago, has left her record label to pursue her indie rock roots.

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Horrible Histories with Stephen Fry sees prank-loving teenage Emperor Elagabalus host a dinner party on Roman Come Dine With Me.

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School reunion

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For more details, contact Belinda Clarke (nee Brzeski) on 01254 209106, or through Facebook.

E Lancs a 'hotspot' for big cats on prowl

By JON LIVESEY

SIGHTING: An ocelot was possibly seen on Burnley's Brunshaw estate

A big cat was spotted prowling around an East Lancashire housing estate on a summer afternoon, it has been revealed.

The sighting of the four-foot long creature, described as a cross between a tiger, cheetah and leopard, was one of 26 reported to Lancashire Police in the last five years.

The caller told officers the animal, which had a long tail and 'tiger spots', had been running down back streets on the Brunshaw estate, in Burnley.

Suspecting it was a Bengal cat, or ocelot, police contacted the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) to find out if any were licensed in the area.

The out-of-place animal was spotted in Brunshaw Avenue, Burnley, on a June afternoon, but no further sightings were reported.

In October last year, a security guard on a night shift at premises in Lower Darwen told officers he saw a large golden cat, resembling a puma, behind a fence.

Reports also feature sightings of black panthers in Hoghton, and a wild white cat in Hoddlesden.

Pumas in Turton and Waterfoot also feature in the reports.

In Leagram, near Chipping, a man contacted police on four separate occasions in a six-month period to report having seen a puma-like cat with a head the size of a football. On one occasion, he said, the six-foot long animal, which had been following him around, even growled at him.

Almost half of the 26 sightings reported to police were in East Lancashire locations, suggesting the area is something of a big cat 'hotspot'.

The details were revealed to our sister newspaper, the Lancashire Telegraph, under the Freedom of Information Act.

However, the list does not include reports of lions, or jaguars, because searches under those words on police systems brought up a lot of unrelated information.

The 1976 Dangerous Wild Animals Act made it illegal to keep big cats as pets and may have led to some being released by their owners.

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FANCY DRESS: Charity fund-raisers the Christie Grafters dressed as pirates to take part in the Rishton Festival at the weekend, in the grounds of Norden High School

Collie attacked by 'fighting dog'

By EMMA CRUCES

A former town hall keeper has told of the terrifying moment a 'fighting-type dog' attacked his long-time pet companion.

Derek Edmondson, 80, was taking his daily walk with his 15-year-old sheepdog Jodie, at Foxhill Bank Nature Reserve, Oswaldtwistle, when the dog attack took place.

Mr Edmondson, who was a public servant for 40 years, said the dog, which appeared to be a Staffordshire Bull Terrier, was being walked by a group of 12 to 14-year-olds. The Jubilee Street resident, who lost his wife Margaret six months ago, has walked the route through the local beauty spot with his pet, named after Jodie Foster, since she was a puppy.

He said: "At first I didn't really notice the children, but when the dog saw Jodie, he just took off. He was dragging the lad who was walking him. He fell down and must have been pulled 30 feet.

"When the lad let go, the dog got hold of Jodie. He just clamped his jaws around her neck. He was double her size and built like a fighting dog. One of the girls from this group managed to pull the dog off. As soon as Jodie was free, she took off into the woods from fear.

"She was bleeding heavily. Luckily she was waiting for me on the path."

TERROR: Derek with Jodie, left, who lost a dangerous amount of blood

Mr Edmondson called on a neighbour for help and took Jodie to a vet in Preston following the attack on the afternoon of Sunday, June 26. Veterinary staff said she had lost a dangerous amount of blood and treated her throughout the night. She has now made a full recovery.

Mr Edmondson, who paid £380 to have his pet treated, said: "I've got her back and that's all that matters to me. I just think it is dangerous for a dog like that to be under the control of children. It should be wearing a muzzle and their parents should be held accountable. If it would go for a dog like that, next time it could be a child. I am lucky she is slowly starting to walk up and down again, but the whole experience left me very frightened."

Police said they had been informed of the incident.

Oswaldtwistle councillor Peter Britcliffe said: "I remember Derek well and he was a very dedicated public servant. I have become very concerned of late at the number of people reporting dog attacks. It is a serious issue."

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Diana leaves record label

By CATHERINE PYE

Diana Vickers has left her big-name record label to pursue her indie rock roots.

The 19-year-old star, from Huncoat, was signed to Sony/RCA after making the semi-finals of The X Factor three years ago.

She achieved chart-topping success with debut single Once, and the album Songs From The Tainted Cherry Tree.

However, her last two singles failed to hit the same heights, coming in at 36 and 13.

Now it is believed she wants to develop her Indie style, and rumours are she has been working with Chorley-born Starsailor singer James Walsh.

On her Tumblr blog, Diana confirmed the split from RCA.

She said: "I just want to let you know what the crack is at the moment down in the Vickers camp. Myself and RCA have decided to part company, purely based on a creative level. I will always be really thankful for the time we've spent together and the support they've given me.

"But, I've grown up a lot since the first album and whilst the past couple years have been a lot of fun and a great success, I'm now ready to take a wander down a different, very exciting path! In order to grow, this change has to be made."

She added: "I'm so proud of where the second album is right now and I'm counting down the minutes until it's all ready and you guys can finally hear it.

"I've been having the best time over the past six months – being creative, working with so many inspirational people, falling in love with LA and growing as an artist."

Diana's management team was unavailable for comment.

'DIFFERENT PATH': Diana Vickers

Extra patrols

Police have stepped up patrols in the Hindle Street area of Darwen after residents raised concerns about anti-social behaviour and vehicle damage during the evenings. The matter was raised at a recent PACT meeting.

MP's surgery

HYNDBURN MP Graham Jones is holding his next advice surgery at 50 Abbey Street, Accrington, this Friday.

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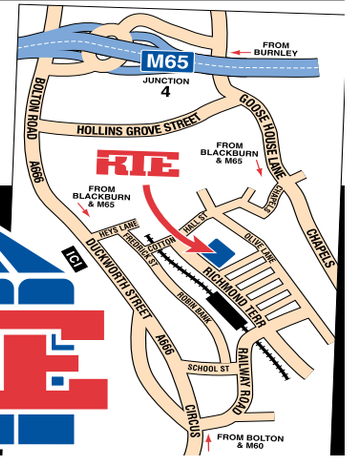

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Citizen In brief

Railway station wins eco-award

ACCRINGTON railway station's eco-design has been highly commended in a national award.

Lancashire County Council, which was behind the project, was named winner of the Sustainable Infrastructure Achievement of the Year category at the MJ Local Government Achievement Awards.

Features of the design of the new station, which opened last year, include environmentally friendly aspects such as rainwater harvesting, solar-hot water and 40 panels which generate electricity from sunlight.

Pick lucky team

A 'MEGA football' card to raise money for Tockholes Gala is available at The Rock Inn, Tockholes Road.

Tickets to pick one of 500 football teams listed cost £2, with the chance of winning £500. The winning team will be announced this Saturday, gala day, at 10pm.

MP's surgery

MP Jake Berry holds an advice surgery on Friday at his constituency office in Rail-way Road, Darwen, from 5.30 to 7pm.

TIME-WARP: Jan Plummer (left) with activities co-ordinator Michelle Greenwood and some items already for the 1940s-themed room

Memories from past

By CATHERINE PYE

A TIME-warp room is being created to help dementia sufferers at a Darwen care home.

Staff at Birch Hall Care Centre have been collecting furniture and household gadgets from the 1940s to transport residents back to 'the good old days'.

It is hoped that items such as a gramophone and wartime trinkets will help dementia sufferers tap more easily into memories from the past, giving them a grounding when they are confused.

Unit manager Jan Plummer said: "With dementia patients, they live in the past a lot of the time. We do have a living room, but at the moment it's not very relevant for them, so when we saw the idea in a national newspaper being used successfully, we decided to have a go ourselves."

There are 11 residents of the care home in Birch Hall Avenue who suffer from various forms of dementia.

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CitizenTime

Classics all Gold for Romantics

Tony Hadley was the frontman for Eighties New Romantic band Spandau Ballet. As a solo act, he and his own band have toured the world to great acclaim. He has a live show on July 23 at the Capesthorne Hall, Cheshire, performing with Rick Astley, Martin Fry (ABC) and Go West.

THIS MUST BE LIKE THE GOOD OLD DAYS FOR YOU, IS IT?
To be honest, it's been going pretty good these past few years. Maybe because the band's got such a good reputation for performing live we're always busy! We tend to surprise people. We play these festivals and people hear us and go 'wow -- I didn't expect that' so there's no real quiet time.

DID YOU ENJOY THE RECENT SPANDAU BALLET REUNION?
Yeah, it was fun. Spandau were back together from October 2009 and finished touring in June 2010. It was nice to see the boys and people enjoyed it.

AT YOUR SHOWS, CAN WE EXPECT SONGS WE KNOW?
I've seen other bands try and be really clever like that and

60 SECONDS WITH ... TONY HADLEY

I'm not a fan. They either rearrange the old songs to the point where they aren't really the old songs any more, or they just play all their new stuff instead. It just doesn't work. If you've got a pedigree with certain songs, people want to hear those songs. They won't get tired of hearing a singer they like singing the songs they love. We find it's the same with the younger kids. They're discovering the classics. It's nice when the next generation are seeking out what came before. If you like music you go back.

What's on

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AS YOU LIKE IT — Royal Exchange Theatre, Manchester, until Saturday, August 6.
THAT DAY WE SANG — Opera House, Manchester, Wednesday, July 6 to Saturday, July 16.
THE ANCIENT OLYMPICS — Darwen Library Theatre, Wednesday, July 13.
BOUNCERS — Blackpool Grand, Sunday, July 17.

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NEIL DIAMOND — MEN Arena, Wednesday, July 6.
JAMES TAYLOR — MEN Arena, Thursday, July 7.
BLINK 182 — MEN Arena, Friday, July 8.
HAYSEED DIXIE — Manchester Academy, Saturday, July 9.
THE BLACK CROWES — Manchester Academy, Monday, July 11.
LANCASHIRE HOTPOTS — The Grand, Clitheroe, Friday, July 15.
KE$HA — Manchester Apollo, Friday, July 15.
JUDAS PRIEST — Manchester Apollo, Saturday, July 16.
SLASH — Manchester Apollo, Thursday, July 21.
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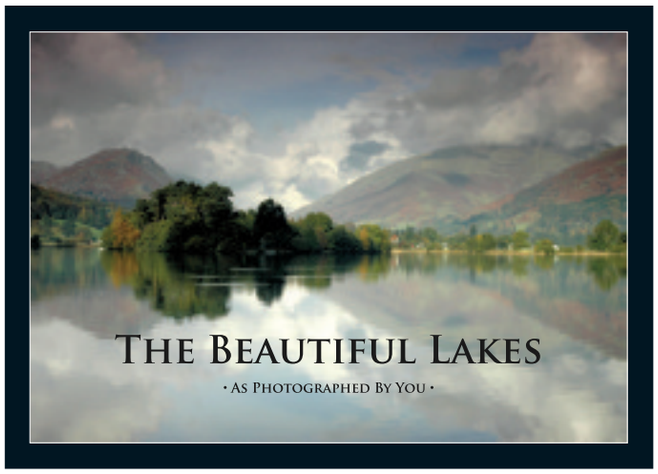

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Valley rock fest

BIG NAMES: Badly Drawn Boy and, below, The Waterboys

Rossendale's biggest music festival is proving a major hit, with only a limited number of weekend tickets remaining.

The Ramsbottom Festival, from Friday, September 16 to Sunday, September 18, is the North West's newest festival and boasts a host of big-name acts.

Five thousand music fans per day are expected to head to Ramsbottom Cricket Club, where the event will be staged.

Sixties trail-blazers The Animals and Friends headline on the Friday night, Brit Award nominees The Guillemots lead the way on Saturday, and Celtic rockers The Waterboys headline Sunday night.

Although full festival tickets are selling fast, there is still good availability of day tickets.

On Friday night Stax guitar legend Steve Cropper, guitarist with Booker T and the MGs, will take to the stage.

Also confirmed for Friday night is 6Music DJ and presenter Mark Radcliffe, playing with his band the Big Figures.

Saturday's line-up includes singer/songwriter Damon Gough, better known as Badly Drawn Boy, Bolton band Cherry Ghost, Mercury Music Prize-nominated the Young Knives and Manchester's Kid British.

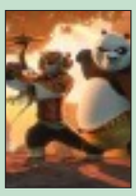
Sunday's line-up has a distinct folk feel to it, with Capercaille, Ahab and the Michael McGoldrick Band all featuring, plus Bellowhead's Sam Sweeney and Hannah James and The Travelling Band. There will also be a second stage featuring local bands.

For full details visit www.ramsbottomfestival.com

Cinema round-up

BRIDESMAIDS (15) Witnesses the devastation wrought by a blushing bride, her maid of honour, and four bridesmaids in Paul Feig's raucous comedy of errors.

THE BEAVER (12A) Mel Gibson stars in this blackly humorous tale of a middle-aged man's emotional breakdown. It deals sensitively with the themes.



KUNG FU PANDA 2 (PG) An energetic martial arts comedy which kicks computer-animated butt and comes close to matching the rumbustious fun of the 2008 original.

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INTO MY LIFE Friendly Blackburn lady, 35, 5'2'', brown hair/eyes, searching for a genuine man, to share a little of life with. **Box 103700 t**

NEW AGE LOVE Slim, attractive Bolton girl, 36, 5'5'', feminine, caring and decent, interesting profession, seeks active, honest man, for happy times and warm wishes. **Box 100850 t**

ROMANCE IS ALIVE Good looking, slim, intelligent, warm, decent female, 39, wltm attractive, honest, kind man, for friendship leading to more. Bolton **Box 105419 t**

I NEED A HERO 38yr old woman from Bolton, single mum, just looking for a nice man to share days out and more with. **Box 454184 t**

NO JUDGEMENTS Quiet lady, 38, own place, likes to watch sunsets and enjoy quiet nights in, looking for caring, loving person to be my special man. Horwich. **Box 454977 t**

STAY TRUE Working single mum, 40, into 80s/90s music, cinema, walks and nice pubs, loves to swim and keep fit, searching for a kind and caring guy, for a lasting relationship. Bolton/Lancs. **Box 111108 t**

LIMITED OFFER Easygoing, single mum 41, N/S, from Bolton, likes animals, walking, cosy nights in, wining, seeks honest male, to share life with. **Box 107414 t**

LADY IN WAITING Genuine, honest female, 42, own house/car, likes camping, meals out, looking for my Prince Charming, for love and romance. Chorley. **Box 100752 t**

IT COULD BE YOU Young 40 year old genuine lady looking for Mr Right to share 2010 with. Looking for romantic single man please no time wasters. Chorley. **Box 862143 t**

SHARE YOUR LIFE WITH ME Petite female, 42, blonde, green eyes, own house/car, likes meals in & out, walking, music, seeks happy go luck guy, to enjoy good times with. **Box 101266 t**

LIKE MINDS Fun-loving lady, 41, honest and hard working with a great personality, seeking a similar man for ltr. **Box 861073 t**

ENJOY MY COMPANY Sincere female, 42, enjoy nights in & out, restaurants & more, looking for a genuine chap, to enjoy good times together leading to romance. Darwen. **Box 101697 t**

QUALITY TIME Slim, hazel-eyed girl, 42, 5'1'', professional, own home/car, likes bowling, cooking, horses and more, searching for a motivated, hard-working man. Lancs. **Box 100094 t**

ROCK MY WORLD Fun to be with, laid-back, gorgeous female, 45, loves to meet people and have a great time, seeking an honest guy. Life is too short not to. Let's share conversation and fun. Bolton/Lancs. **Box 107656 t**

PLAIN AND SIMPLE Slim, dark haired female, 45, seeks male for companionship and hopefully leading to love. Burnley/Lancs. **Box 109416**

MADE FOR EACH OTHER Bright, Bolton female, 45, 5'4'', blonde hair, slim build, likes fun times in & outdoors, seeks mature male, 38-49 for love and commitment. Bolton **Box 106116 t**

LOVE LIFE Recently widowed lady, 45, likes pubs, cinema, animals, seeks friendly, fun loving male, for genuine company and more. Manchester. **Box 101291 t**

OUR MOMENT Slim, divorced Bolton female, 46, 5'11'', active lifestyle, enjoys riding, the beach and more, searching for similar sincere, easygoing man, who enjoys travel and an active life. **Box 103002 t**

NICE AND CURVY Decent looking female, 46, nice & curvy, very passionate & loving, wltm genuine, honest, good looking male 39-46, for a long term relationship. Nelson. **Box 101569 t**

A LOT TO GIVE Genuine female, 49 years old, looking for a gentleman for a life-time relationship, likes cooking, travel, most things. Blackburn. **Box 854547 t**

MEANINGFUL THING Curvy lady, 49, 5'5'', dark hair, brown eyes, likes walks, cooking, family life, seeks tall, family guy, to settle down into a lasting relationship. Chorley. **Box 102799 t**

LOOKING FORWARD TO IT Petite, divorced lady, 49, likes cinema, meals out, cinema, socialising, looking for a gent, to share life together. **Box 108042 t**

MISSING SOMETHING IMPORTANT Separated lady, 49, grown up children, likes walks, cinema, pubs, DIY, seeks romantic female, for love and affection. Bury **Box 105310 t**

ACTIVE AND OUTGOING Slim, attractive lady, 49, 5ft6, blue/grey eyes. I like cooking, walking, entertaining. WLTM caring male in the Bolton area. **Box 466899 t**

LOVE IS ALL AROUND Attractive female, 50, 5ft6, slim, likes going to the gym, cooking, walks, meals out, wltm a caring and loving man to look/be looked after by. Bolton **Box 466898 t**

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TALL ORDER Nice looking lady, 49, fit/young, 5ft5, I like drinks out, trying new things, forward, confident and easygoing, looking for the same in a tall man. Bolton. **Box 456104 t**

JUST A MESSAGE AWAY Confident, muslim woman, 51, 5'4'', dark hair, hazel eyes, lives in Bolton, looking for that special man, to share my life with. **Box 106705 t**

REACH NEW HEIGHTS Shy, divorced female, 51, spiky black hair, green eye, petite with grown up children, looking for genuine company & more. Widnes. **Box 102948 t**

GAME OF LIFE Friendly, brown-haired woman, 52, 5'6'', nurse, mum, GSOH, enjoys cooking, travel and more, seeks an active, interesting man. Blackburn. **Box 100516 t**

WILL THIS DO? Fun, loving, bubbly, lady seeking a genuine, honest, loving man to share life with. Likes nights out and in, very loyal and decent. Blackburn. **Box 868259 t**

NEED COMPANY? Very friendly, widow lady, 53, likes the simple things in life, seeks genuine male, for genuine friendship. Chorley **Box 105232 t**

LOOK FORWARD TO IT Affectionate, separated lady, 54, 5'3'', hazel eyes, nice figure, likes nights in & out, keeping fit, seeks nice male, 40-58 to settle down with. Burnley **Box 104788 t**

A NEW CHAPTER Genuine, attractive lady from Blackburn, 54, brunette, enjoy socialising and would like to meet a caring, presentable man with gsoh, for days out and friendship initially. **Box 111316 t**

LOOKING FOR MR NICE Widow, Blackburn lady, 54, brown hair, blue eyes, N/S, enjoys walking, countryside, pubs, wining, walking my dog, dancing, cinema, looking for a sociable male, for ltr. **Box 106138 t**

MAKE EACH OTHER SMILE Young at heart 54yr old lady, brunette, likes dancing, cinema, walking, meals in & out, wltm similar gent, for friendship leading to more. Bolton. **Box 102049 t**

LOOKING FOR A REAL MAN Blackburn female, 55, 5'6'', brow hair, N/S, grown up child, enjoys days out, seaside, car boot sales, social drinks, looking for a loyal, honest guy. **Box 110009 t**

LONG LASTING HAPPINESS Down to earth female, 56, gsoh, smoker, into most things, looking for an easygoing male, 50-60 for good times leading to more. Blackburn. **Box 104793 t**

SHARE YOUR LIFE WITH ME Honest female, 57, 5'1'', own house, enjoys meals in & out, countryside, holidays, seeks a decent gent, 56-62 for genuine company and more. Accrington. **Box 101002**

LOVE AND ROMANCE Loving female, 57, brown/grey hair, likes holidays, places of interest, pubs, clubs, winging & dining, wltm sincere chap, to settle down with. Accrington. **Box 101779 t**

SOMETHING TO CHERISH Blackburn lady, 57, N/S, honest, enjoys dancing, wine, meals out and coach trips, searching for a man, 60-65, N/S, for socialising. **Box 110850 t**

SOMETHING TO WAIT FOR Caring, outgoing female, 57, wears glasses, Bradford based, enjoys dancing, meals out, days out, holidays, seeks N/S honest man, to enjoy life together. **Box 107284**

FRIENDSHIP FIRST Active lady, 55 in Manchester, works full time, enjoys walking swimming, looking for a kind, considerate and understanding man to go out with. **Box 458054 t**

MAKE LIFE BETTER Loyal, divorced female, 59, likes travel, nights in, family life, seeks honest, considerate man, 55-61 for friendship leading to more. Bury **Box 104838 t**

PURE AND SIMPLE Attractive, blonde Lancashire girl, 60, 5'2'', fair, grey/green, N/S, loves camping and good times, seeking a man, for friendship and companionship. **Box 102490 t**

ONCE IN A LIFETIME Slimmish, attractive lady, 60, N/S, GSOH, enjoys days out, garden centres and home, looking for the right man, N/S, for a lasting relationship. Darwen/Lancs. **Box 108263 t**

GREAT COMPANIONS Petite, christian lady, 62, blonde hair, likes countryside, meals out, pets, gardening, walking, seeks gentleman friend, for 45-75 for friendship & more. Burnley. **Box 102703**

FROM ONE TO ANOTHER Separated, loyal female, 62, 5'5'', dark blonde, brown eyes, care worker, enjoys meals out, theatre, travel, seeks intelligent gent, for LTR. Bolton. **Box 100561**

THE LOOK OF LOVE Very fit, attractive, young widow, 62, 5'8'', long brown hair, brown eyes, gsoh, likes dancing, dining out, football, socialising, seeks honest gent, 60-64 for ltr. Bolton **Box 105400 t**

SETTLE DOWN WITH ME Divorced female, 62, gsoh, smoker, from Bolton, likes socialising, countryside, wltm sincere gent. **Box 108734 t**

ASK ME OUT! Honest, caring female, 63, 5'3'', slim, likes dancing, socialising and holidays abroad, seeks a man, 60-65, to enjoy life with. Burnley/Lancs. **Box 108090 t**

THE BETTER THINGS... Non-smoking lady, 61, fairly slim, blonde (ish). I like weekends away, meals out, reading, walking, countryside/seaside, holidays, and WLTM kind, honest, sincere guy, Darwen area. **Box 467846**

IT COULD BE YOU Great personality, young outlook, 60s, slim redhead, looking for my soulmate. Darwen. **Box 857045 t**

MAGIC MOMENTS Active female, 65, works part-time, likes most things & will give anything a try, wltm a cheerful chap, 60-68 to share good times together. Bury. **Box 104410 t**

MATCH FOR ME Active female, 65, enjoys dancing, bowling, places of interest, cinema, theatre, seeks sincere gent, for friendship first, leading to more. Morecambe. **Box 103104 t**

HAPPINESS AHEAD Down to earth female, 66, from Bolton, likes the simple things in life, looking for a decent man, for romance. **Box 106612**

FOR LASTING COMPANIONSHIP Sincere lady, 66, 5'2'', N/S, widow, likes holidays, cinema, countryside, 60s music, animals, travel, wltm male counterpart, 65-76 for companionship. Manchester. **Box 104338 t**

MAKE MEMORIES Retired nurse, 66, works part-time, own house/car, divorcee, looking for companionship & maybe more with the right person. **Box 105986 t**

BE HAPPY TOGETHER Divorced female, 67, gsoh, cheerful, warm & loving, wltm happy, sincere chap, 40-45 to share life with. Nelson. **Box 104436 t**

PLENTY OF LOVING Blackburn lady, 68, 5'5'', has blonde hair & brown eyes. Would like to meet a lovely man between 55-75 for TLC. **Box 101525**

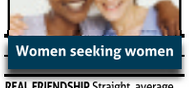
READY TO LOVE AGAIN Nice, caring and kind lady, 66, loves music, live concerts, reading, visiting new places, WLTM a nice gent to care and share with again. Manchester **Box 465074 t**

SUNSHINE LADY Young at heart widow, 68, slim & attractive, loves animals, meals out, social drinks, seeks easygoing, reliable gent, for romance. Bury. **Box 102862**

LIVE THE LIFE YOU LOVE Down to earth lady female, 70, 5'2'', slim build, green eyes, loves animals, countryside, holidays, wltm sincere gent, to enjoy life together. Manchester. **Box 102818 t**

CHANGE FOR THE BETTER Sincere female, 76, 5'2'', likes being active, holidays, wltm gent with own car, 78-83 for companionship leading to more. Burnley. **Box 104806**

IN SEARCH OF SOULMATE Petite lady, 78, 5'2'', gsoh, wltm N/S gent with own car, 78-83 to share good times & companionship. Burnley. **Box 104792**



Women seeking women

REAL FRIENDSHIP Straight, average girl, 35, 5'8'', loves live rock bands, writing, reading, animals, vegetarian, pubs, cinema, looking for new friends, 21-55 around Chorley. Claire please leave contact number. **Box 104453 t**

PERFECTLY FORMED Genuine, honest female, 53, wltm upbeat, happy go lucky female, 45-56 for friendship leading to a lasting relationship. Bury. **Box 104617 t**

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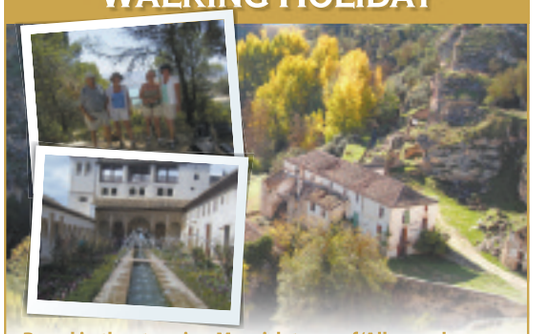

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